Pay Revision of CSS Assistants

392. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the revision of the Pay Scales of the Assistants working in CSS Cadre of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Central Secretariat Service (CSS) has been restructured in October, 2003 comprehensively and the promotional prospects of various grades, including the grade of Assistant have improved.Moreover, the existing pay scale in the Assistant's grade is considered to be adequate.

Corrupt IAS, IPS Officers

393. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers belonging to IAS, IPS and IRS or their allied services booked on corruption charges during the last calendar year;

(b) the impact of the arrests/booking under various laws has created on the morale of the services;

(c) whether the corruption continues unabated in these services; and

(d) if so, the steps Government contemplating in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) During the last calendar year i.e., 2004, CBI has registered 42 cases against officers belonging to Indian Administrative Service, Indian Police Service, Indian Forest Service and Indian Revenue Service including Indian Customs and Central Excise. The break up is as follows:-

IAS	12
IPS	4
IFS	1
IRS (including IC&CES)	25

(b) and (c) This has had the desired effec in reducing corruption.

(d) The Government is fully alive to the need to provide clean administration and to eradicate corruption at all levels of public service. The drive against corruption is a continuing process and the policies are modified from time to time in order to make them more responsive to the changing environment.

Administrative Reforms Commission

394. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of PRESONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to set up a new Administrative Reforms Commission;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) by when the said Commission is likely to be set up; and

(d) what shall be the broad terms of reference of the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The Government is planning to set up an Administrative Reforms Commission to prepare a detailed roadmap for administrative reforms.

(d) The Terms of Reference of the Commission are being finalized.